

Demographic & Economic Information for

Gallatin County



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Gallatin County

Located in the Rocky Mountains, Gallatin County is one of Montana's most popular tourist destinations. It serves as an entrance to Yellowstone Park, boasts two world-class ski resorts, blue ribbon trout streams, and the Museum of the Rockies.

Gallatin County is Montana's fastest growing county, boasting 28.8% growth from 2000 to 2007. In 2007, Gallatin County's population surpassed that of Flathead County, making it the state's third largest county, with an estimated 87,359 residents. Bozeman, the county seat, remains the state's fourth largest city, with an estimated population of 37,981 as of July 1, 2007.¹ Other cities and towns in Gallatin County include: Amsterdam-Churchill, Belgrade, Big Sky, Four Corners, Manhattan, Three Forks, West Yellowstone, and Willow Creek.

Gallatin County's economy is relatively diverse, with construction, government, manufacturing, technology, retail, service, and agriculture all playing significant roles.² Montana State University is the area's largest employer, with 3,504 permanent faculty and staff, 558 graduate teaching and research assistants, and over 2,000 students in part-time jobs. MSU's 12,170 enrolled students (Fall 2007) have a significant impact on the county's economy.³

¹U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

²Gallatin Development Corporation's 2005 Economic Profile of Gallatin County, Montana.
www.bozeman.org/gdc/Upload/Economic%20Profiles/Economic%20Profile%202005.pdf

³Montana State University website. www.montana.edu/opa/facts/quick07.html

Resources for Gallatin County

Chambers of Commerce

Belgrade Chamber of Commerce
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Big Sky Chamber of Commerce
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www.bigskychamber.com

Bozeman Chamber of Commerce
2000 Commerce Way
Bozeman, MT 59715
(406) 586-5421 or (800) 228-4224
www.bozemanchamber.com

Manhattan Area Chamber
P. O. Box 606, Manhattan, MT 59741
(406) 284-4162
www.manhattanmontana.com

Three Forks Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 1103, Three Forks, MT 59752
(406) 285-4753
www.threeforksmontana.com

West Yellowstone Chamber
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MT 59758, (406) 646-7701
www.westyellowstonechamber.com

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Belgrade News
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Belgrade, MT 59714
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Bozeman Daily Chronicle
P. O. Box 1190 - Bozeman, MT 59771
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www.bozemandailychronicle.com

Lone Peak Lookout
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Ph: (406) 995-4133
www.lonepeaklookout.com

Three Forks Herald
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www.threeforksherald.net

West Yellowstone News
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West Yellowstone, MT 59758
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Economic Development

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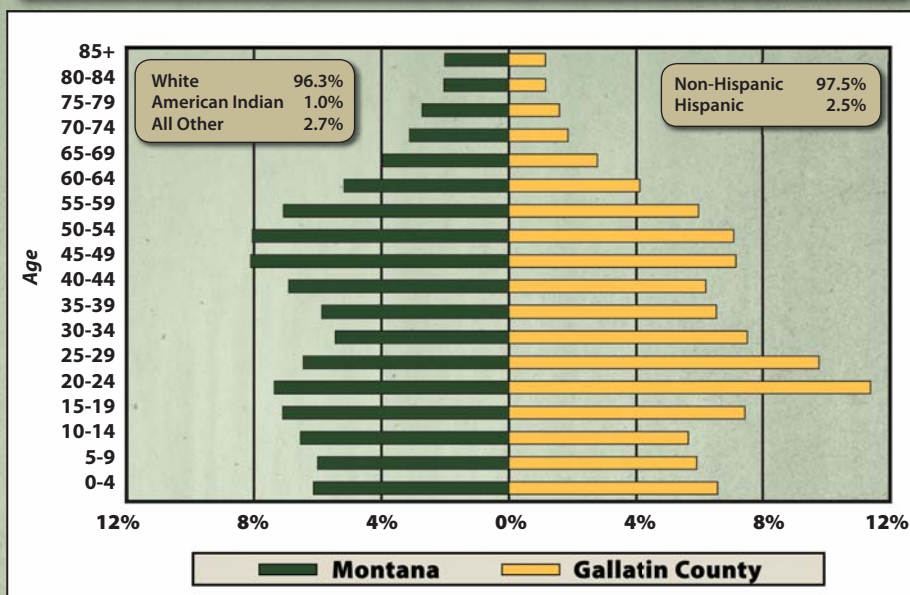
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Population for Gallatin County & Related Areas

Geography	% Change 2000-2007	Population Estimates							Census
		July 1, 2007	July 1, 2006	July 1, 2005	July 1, 2004	July 1, 2003	July 1, 2002	July 1, 2001	April 1, 2000
Gallatin County	28.8%	87,359	84,489	80,748	77,472	74,733	71,998	70,186	67,831
Belgrade	40.5%	8,047	7,642	7,343	7,304	7,050	6,749	6,416	5,728
Bozeman	38.1%	37,981	36,981	35,012	33,576	31,824	30,272	29,154	27,509
Manhattan	10.4%	1,541	1,557	1,513	1,520	1,480	1,438	1,428	1,396
Three Forks	10.9%	1,917	1,925	1,905	1,920	1,854	1,790	1,762	1,728
West Yellowstone	21.9%	1,435	1,283	1,261	1,263	1,241	1,216	1,193	1,177
Balance of Gallatin Cty	20.3%	36,438	35,101	33,714	31,889	31,284	30,533	30,233	30,293

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Distribution of Population by Age Montana and Gallatin County, 2007



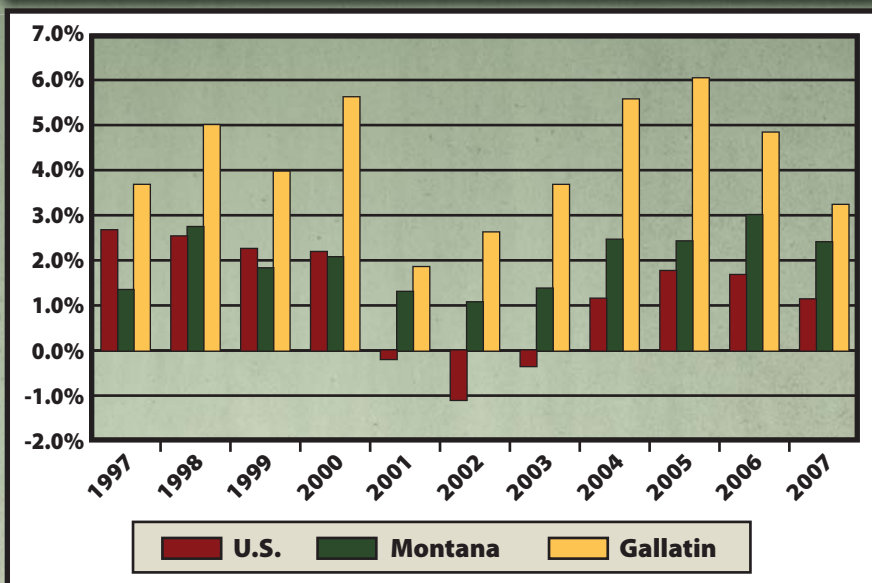
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007 Population Estimates

Highest Level of Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and older)

Educational Attainment	Gallatin County	Montana	U.S.
Less than High School Diploma	6.7%	12.8%	19.6%
High School Diploma (or equivalent)	21.2%	31.3%	28.6%
Some College	26.0%	25.6%	21.0%
Associate Degree	5.1%	5.9%	6.3%
Bachelor's Degree	28.1%	17.2%	15.5%
Master's Degree	8.0%	4.6%	5.9%
Professional Degree	2.4%	1.7%	2.0%
Doctoral Degree	2.4%	0.9%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

Percent Change in Employment: 1997 to 2007 U.S., Montana, and Gallatin County



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

Top 20 Private Employers in Gallatin County (Based on 2nd Quarter 2008 Data - Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Business Name	Size Class	Business Name	Size Class
Albertson's	7	McDonald's	6
Bozeman Daily Chronicle	6	Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply	6
Bozeman Deaconess Hospital	9	On Site Management	6
Community Food Co-Op	6	Ressler Chevrolet Cadillac & Toyota	6
Costco	6	RightNow Technologies	7
First Security Bank	6	Riverside Country Club	6
JTL Group Inc. - Belgrade	6	Simkins-Hallin Lumber	6
Kenyon Noble Lumber & Hardware	6	Wal-Mart	7
Laidlaw Transit	6	Williams Plumbing & Heating	6
Martel Construction	6	Zoot Enterprises	7

Employment Size Class Coding: Class 9 = 1000+ employees, Class 8 = 500 to 999 employees, Class 7 = 250 to 499 employees, Class 6 = 100 to 249 employees, Class 5 = 50 to 99 employees, Class 4 = 20 to 49 employees, Class 3 = 10 to 19 employees

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW) This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to unemployment insurance. Railroads and government agencies are excluded.

Agricultural Statistics - Gallatin County

Farms			
	2007 Census	2002 Census	% Change
Farms: (number)	1,071	1,074	0%
Land in farms (acres)	776,868	708,728	10%
Average size of farms (acres)	725	660	10%
Median size of farms (acres)	70	125	-44%
Farms by size: (number)			
Less than 1,000 acres	938	928	1%
1,000 acres or more	133	146	-9%
Farms by value of products sold: (number)			
Less than \$100,000	906	883	3%
\$100,000 or more	165	191	-14%
Farms by type of organization: (number)			
Family, Individual, Partnership	944	1,000	-6%
Corporation, Cooperative, Trust	127	74	72%
Livestock Inventory and Crops Harvested			
Livestock and Poultry Inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	48,268	52,350	-8%
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sheep and lambs	3,329	5,025	-34%
Horses and ponies	4,998	4,396	14%
Bison	41	185	-78%
Chickens (layers and broilers)	1,478	(D)	(D)
Crops Harvested (acres)			
Corn for grain	0	(D)	(D)
Corn for silage or greenchop	1,119	895	25%
Wheat for grain, All	51,271	50,645	1%
Winter wheat for grain	19,409	(D)	(D)
Spring wheat for grain	31,862	30,118	6%
Durum wheat for grain	0	(D)	NA
Oats for grain	476	1,132	-58%
Barley for grain	25,140	37,007	-32%
Hay, haylage, grass silage	70,827	79,199	-11%
Sunflower seed, All	(D)	0	NA
Operator Demographics			
Primary occupation: (number)			
Farming	448	559	-20%
Other	623	515	21%
Place of residence: (number)			
On farm operated	904	943	-4%
Not on farm operated	167	131	27%
Years on present farm: (number)			
Less than 10 years	289	354	-18%
10 years or more	782	720	9%
Age group: (number)			
Under 55 years	452	614	-26%
55 years and over	619	460	35%
Average age of operators: (number)	57.2	53.5	7%

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002

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Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2007

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	5,194	45,727	\$32,522
TOTAL PRIVATE	5,091	38,547	\$31,380
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	66	409	\$24,083
Crop production	19	129	\$17,606
Animal production	26	185	\$27,499
Forestry and logging	3	*	*
Fishing, hunting and trapping	3	*	*
Agriculture & forestry support	16	84	\$23,239
MINING	16	248	\$51,567
Mining, except oil and gas	9	214	\$52,268
Support activities for mining	7	34	\$47,079
UTILITIES	9	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	1,123	6,168	\$38,731
Construction of buildings	434	2,216	\$39,410
Heavy and civil engineering construction	59	673	\$55,902
Specialty trade contractors	630	3,279	\$34,749
MANUFACTURING	197	2,635	\$35,653
Food manufacturing	17	144	\$28,564
Beverage and tobacco product mfg	5	117	\$23,360
Textile product mills	9	104	\$22,881
Apparel manufacturing	2	*	*
Wood product manufacturing	20	227	\$31,299
Paper manufacturing	1	*	*
Printing and related support activities	10	133	\$30,310
Petroleum & coal products manufacturing	1	*	*
Chemical manufacturing	2	*	*
Plastics & rubber products manufacturing	3	88	\$44,971
Nonmetallic mineral product mfg	12	273	\$44,468
Primary metal manufacturing	5	47	\$25,595
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	19	182	\$33,785
Machinery manufacturing	4	64	\$50,233
Computer and electronic product mfg	17	207	\$48,034
Electrical equipment and appliance mfg	2	*	*
Transportation equipment manufacturing	8	159	\$41,978
Furniture and related product mfg	32	258	\$30,309
Miscellaneous manufacturing	30	410	\$30,355
WHOLESALE TRADE	185	1,364	\$39,660
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	85	749	\$43,422
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	52	510	\$28,943
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	48	105	\$64,780
RETAIL TRADE	559	7,098	\$25,604
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	50	762	\$41,736
Furniture and home furnishings stores	53	475	\$32,919
Electronics and appliance stores	31	211	\$31,841
Building material & garden supply stores	66	979	\$33,063
Food and beverage stores	35	1,153	\$20,249
Health and personal care stores	22	178	\$21,764
Gasoline stations	37	416	\$17,356
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	63	488	\$17,646
Sporting good, hobby, book, music stores	70	687	\$15,523
General merchandise stores	13	1,051	\$25,777
Miscellaneous store retailers	97	598	\$18,985
Nonstore retailers	24	102	\$30,426

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

* Data Not Disclosable

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Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	109	1,056	\$26,130
Air transportation	14	75	\$34,618
Truck transportation	55	291	\$32,398
Transit and ground passenger transport	7	233	\$14,234
Pipeline transportation	1	*	*
Scenic and sightseeing transportation	3	14	\$22,237
Support activities for transportation	17	123	\$26,754
Postal service	1	*	*
Couriers and messengers	8	187	\$30,416
Warehousing and storage	3	*	*
INFORMATION	83	632	\$39,350
Publishing industries, except Internet	23	201	\$31,839
Motion picture, sound recording industry	15	94	\$16,267
Broadcasting, except Internet	11	116	\$34,160
Telecommunications	24	167	\$53,156
ISPs, search portals, & data processing	7	*	*
Other information services	5	*	*
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	208	1,270	\$48,999
Credit intermediation & related activity	79	789	\$44,812
Securities, comm. contracts, investments	40	*	*
Insurance carriers & related activities	89	376	\$45,120
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING	351	986	\$30,605
Real estate	310	732	\$29,182
Rental and leasing services	39	*	*
Lessors of nonfinancial intangible asset	2	*	*
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	703	3,288	\$51,483
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	8	138	\$27,952
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	253	1,169	\$24,937
Administrative and support services	246	1,115	\$24,168
Waste management and remediation service	6	54	\$40,840
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	60	491	\$15,913
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	330	3,355	\$35,043
Ambulatory health care services	220	1,347	\$45,365
Hospitals	1	*	*
Nursing and residential care facilities	18	*	*
Social assistance	92	721	\$14,896
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	137	1,228	\$22,752
Performing arts and spectator sports	40	82	\$33,170
Museums, historical sites, zoos, & parks	5	53	\$27,536
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	92	1,093	\$21,743
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	356	5,453	\$13,837
Accommodation	105	1,519	\$17,831
Food services and drinking places	251	3,934	\$12,295
OTHER SERVICES	338	1,460	\$24,334
Repair and maintenance	105	391	\$29,693
Personal and laundry services	62	251	\$18,563
Membership associations & organizations	129	750	\$23,466
Private households	43	68	\$24,444
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	103	7,179	\$38,650
Local Government	55	2,623	\$34,211
State Government	14	3,920	\$38,604
Federal Government	34	637	\$57,216

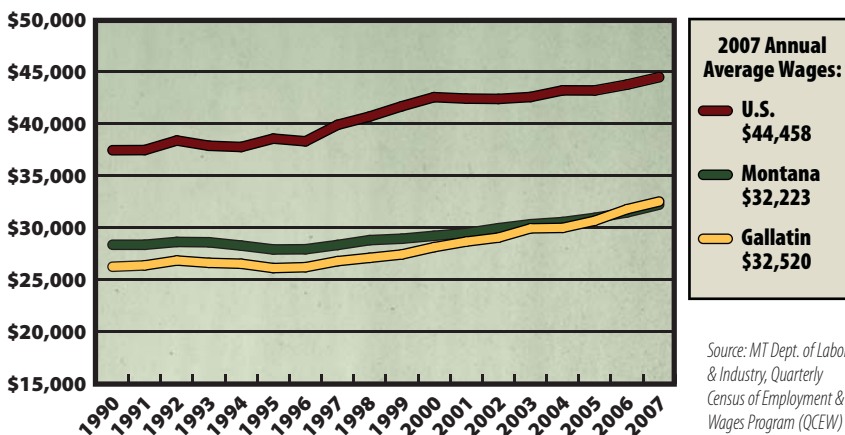
The QCEW program compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance.
(Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)

Annual Average Labor Force - Gallatin County

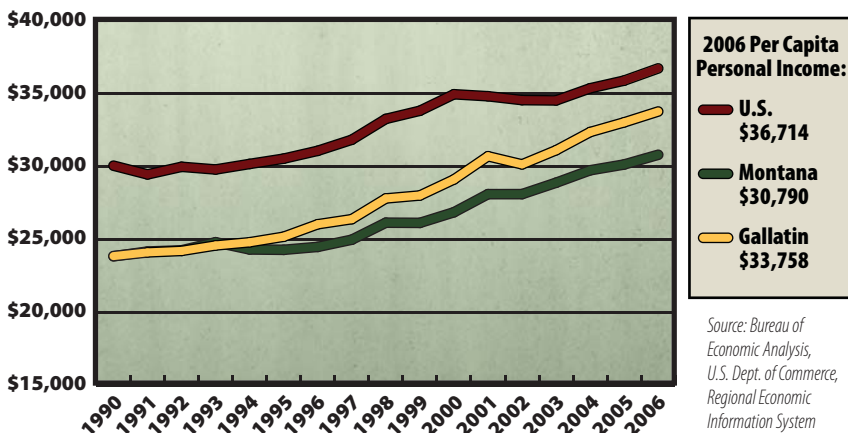
Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2007	50,323	49,199	1,124	2.2%
2006	49,372	48,247	1,125	2.3%
2005	46,596	45,326	1,270	2.7%
2004	44,561	43,167	1,394	3.1%
2003	42,852	41,445	1,407	3.3%
2002	41,934	40,497	1,437	3.4%
2001	41,760	40,370	1,390	3.3%
2000	41,603	40,114	1,489	3.6%

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS)

Annual Average Wages, 1990 to 2007 (In 2007 Dollars)



Per Capita Personal Income, 1990 to 2006 (In 2006 Dollars)



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